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MINUTES OF THE PRE BID MEETING WITH BIDDERS

Name of Work Providing catering services in the central dining facilities	
Tender Ref. No.	OHM/ADVT-TENDER/01/21-22 Dt. 04-09-2021
Date of meeting (online)	08.09.2021 at 15.00 hrs.

Members/ Invitees / Bidders Present:

Office of Hostel Management	Bidders
 Dr. T. Thyagaraj Dr. Shruti Dubey Mr. YEL Sudhakar Rao Pujari Ms. Gajula Chinmayi Mr. E. Sethuramalingam 	 Representatives from – 1. M/s. Firstman Mgmt. Services (P) Ltd., 2. M/s. Shree Raja Rajeshwari Catering (P) Ltd., 3. M/s. Sri Guru Raghavendra Foods(P) Ltd 4. M/s. R Gouras Caterers 5. M/s. Sakthi's Kitchen (P) Ltd. 6. M/s. Neelkesh Caterers Pvt, Ltd. 7. M/s. Vasan Tiffan Home Chennai (P) Ltd. 8. M/s. Rupan Raj Caterers (P) Ltd. 9. M/s. Sugandhim Food and Catering (P) Ltd.

The Chairman welcomed all the members. The following points were raised by the bidders, clarification given are indicated against each:

S. No.	Issued raised	Clarification issued
1.	Can the application fee be waived?	There is no provision for waiver.
2.	Is it compulsory to provide the balance sheets for the financial years for all the 4 years (2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21)?	Audited balance sheet for the years 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20, and provisional balance sheet (2020-21) signed by the proprietor should be submitted as given in Annexure A-6.
3.	Whether we need to enclose the copy of income tax and service tax/GST payments made or shall we provide only the auditor certificate?	Last page of income tax and service tax/ GST payments made along with the Auditor certified statement should be enclosed.
4.	Whether water charges can be reduced in Annexure-B?	No. Further, it is informed that the charges are subject to revision from time to time.
5.	1 counter staff is not sufficient per counter as mentioned in the Annexure C-2	The minimum staff requirement is given in Annexure C-2. Additional staff may be deployed depending on the students' strength.
6.	Do we need to deliver the packed food (breakfast, lunch, evening tea & dinner) to the student rooms or we need to deliver it to any	Packed food should be delivered to the student room. Note given in the Schedule D clearly

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	common place in the hostel?	states the requirement. Kindly note that this service may use
		this service based on the need.
7.	Whether vehicle support will be provided by	No. OHM will not provide any vehicle
7.	OHM for delivering the food packets?	support.
8.	What is the duration of the quarantine period?	Currently, the quarantining period is
0.	what is the duration of the quarantine period?	based on the regulations issued by the
		GoTN.
9.	Whether the time can be extended to submit	No.
5.	the performance certificate?	NO.
10.	Rental charges for POS terminals is given as Rs.	No. The rental charge for POS
10.	15,000/ Is it for one POS terminal?	terminals per caterer is fixed at
		Rs.15,000/
11.	Whether the license fee of Rs. 2,00,000/- will be	No. Considering the pandemic period,
11.	charged for each dining hall?	the license fee given in Pages 31-32
		(point 19) is per caterer and not based
		on the no. of dining halls.
12.	Whether the performance security of Rs.	No.
12.	25,00,000/- can be reduced to 3% of the	NO.
	contract value.	
13.	Whether the Solvency certificate can be waived	Yes. Considering the current pandemic
15.	off?	situation, the solvency certificate can
		be waived off.
14.	What are the current payment terms?	As given in the clause 22 of the
±		schedule.
15.	What are all the additional (inventory list)	An additional bain-marie needs to be
	equipments to be purchased?	procured apart from the consumables
		required for following the safety
		protocols pertaining to Covid-19.
16.	Whether time can be given for getting FSSAI	Central FSSAI License is compulsory as
	license?	given in Clause 17.1 of Schedule.
		However, considering the current
		pandemic situation, you may produce
		the latest FSSAI license along with the
		proof of application for renewal.
17.	Whether the relaxation can be given for female	No relaxation can be given. Please
	staff on providing PF as some of them are	refer to Clauses 17.1 and 29.
	working for 10 to 15 days.	
18.	How is the weighted cost (C) accounted? It may	The weighted cost is used for arriving
	give a higher rate. Please explain.	at the ranking of the qualified bidders
		as it represents the average of all the
		slabs.
19.	Is it possible to simplify the weighted cost (C)?	No. Further simplification is not
		possible.

The above minutes of meeting will become part of the agreement. Apart from the above, the terms and conditions specified in the Tender document will remain unchanged.

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Chairman, WC